

**RESOLUTION 2018 - 096
TOWNSHIP OF ALEXANDRIA**

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE EXPANSION OF THE NEW JERSEY
COMPASSIONATE USE MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT AND AFFIRMING
ALEXANDRIA TOWNSHIP'S COMMITMENT TO ESTABLISHING ZONING
REGULATIONS TO PERMIT THE CULTIVATION, PROCESSING AND
MANUFACTURING OF CANNABIS AS A PERMITTED USE IN
ALEXANDRIA TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, the "New Jersey Compassionate Use Medical Marijuana Act" (the Act) (N.J.S.A. 24:61-1 et seq.) provides legal protection for the cultivation, processing, dispensing and use of marijuana for medical purposes; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has determined, pursuant to the Act, that it is necessary to expand New Jersey's Medical Marijuana Program in order to meet the needs of qualified patients by announcing its acceptance of applications for the issuance of six (6) additional Alternative Treatment Centers (ATC's); and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Alexandria (the "Township") supports the expansion of New Jersey's Medical Marijuana Program and is interested in adopting zoning regulations to permit a land use category within the Township of Alexandria for an ATC that will permit an individual or entity to cultivate, process and manufacture products from cannabis as authorized under the Act and as those activities may be permitted through a duly awarded permit by the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has a reasonable expectation that an ATC will provide, in consideration of company's corporate social responsibility program(s), a percentage of annual gross revenue or fixed fee in the form of an annual host agreement and/or license agreement with the municipality pursuant to revenue sharing terms contained within such agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has consulted with its various professional staff and is preparing a draft ordinance for the purpose of demonstrating the municipalities' interest and commitment to facilitating the development and operation of an ATC within municipal boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee seeks to provide an opportunity for interested ATC operators to propose facilities in the Township and to submit the required application materials to the New Jersey Department of Health; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Alexandria Township Committee on this 22nd day of August, 2018 that:

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1. The Township Committee commits its support in accordance with the recitals above hereby incorporated and is in favor of an ATC operating within the Township pursuant to the Act;
2. The Township Committee directs that medical marijuana businesses that propose to cultivate, process and manufacture cannabis and intend to operate a duly permitted ATC within Alexandria Township may begin the application process for a permit with the New Jersey Department of Health while Alexandria Township takes the actions necessary to implement zoning to permit such an operation in the Township; and
3. The Mayor is authorized to issue letters in support of responsible medical marijuana businesses applying to the New Jersey Department of Health for an ATC permit.

Township Committee Member	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Garay			X			
Deputy Mayor Pfeferle	X		X			
Committeeman Kiernan		X	X			

I, Michelle Bobrowski, RMC, Township Clerk of the Township of Alexandria, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the Township Committee at their meeting held on August 22, 2018.

Michelle Bobrowski, RMC
Alexandria Township Clerk